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4.01 STATE TRAFFIC LAWS ADOPTED. (Cr. May 2, 1967; Am. 1986).

Except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter, the statutory provisions in Wis. Stat. chs. 340 to 348, describing and defining regulations with respect to vehicles and traffic and Wis. Stat. § 941.01, concerning negligent operation of a vehicle, are adopted and by reference made a part of this chapter as if fully set forth herein. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by a statute incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this chapter. Any future amendments, revisions or modifications of the statutes incorporated herein are intended to be made part of this chapter in order to secure uniform statewide regulation of traffic on the highways, streets and alleys of the State.

4.02 PARKING LIMITATIONS. (Cr. 1986; Am. Dec. 1, 2000; Am. June 2, 2008).

(1) No Parking Sign Postings. When signs are erected in any block giving notice of a parking limitation, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than the period therein specified upon the streets or portions of streets so marked except on Sundays and legal Holidays. (Am. Oct. 4, 2005; Am. June 2, 2008).

(2) No person shall park any vehicle at any time on either side of Weaver Street between CTH HHH and West Farwell Street between 5PM and 7AM unless it is their primary residence. (Cr. Oct. 4, 2005).

(3) Main Street Parking Restrictions. There shall be no parking on either side of the 600 and 700 blocks of Main Street in the Village of Ridgeway between 3 AM and 7 AM from November 15 to April 15. (Cr. Jan. 1, 2000; Am. June 2, 2008).

(4) Snow Emergencies. (Cr. June 2, 2008).

(a) A "Snow Emergency" exists whenever there is an accumulation of snow of three or more inches during a 24-hour period. Such accumulation interferes with the ability of vehicles to travel safely in the Village of Ridgeway and constitutes a public hazard impairing public health, safety and welfare. A snow emergency continues in effect for 48 hours after the snowfall has ended and until the snow has been removed from the streets or until the emergency is cancelled by the Director of Public Works.

(b) During this time, parking on the Village streets and lots is prohibited, with the exception of emergency vehicles and with the exception of the following locations: Old Main East, Old Main West.

(5) Posting of Parking Limits 609-611-613 Main Street. There shall be 30 minute only parking in front of 609-611-613 Main Street in the Village of Ridgeway from 8 AM to 4 PM every day excluding Saturdays, and Sundays. (Cr. Jan. 1, 2000).

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(6) Posting of No Van or Truck Parking Corners of Richards and Main. No Van or Truck Parking will be allowed in front of 623 and 701 Main Street. This is the intersection of Richards and Main. (Cr. Jan. 1, 2000).

(7) Alternate Side of Street Parking. (Cr. Jan. 1, 1980 as 4.05; Am. 1986; Am. May 14, 2008, June 4, 2013).

(a) Alternate side of the street parking shall be in effect between the hours of 12:01 AM and 6:00 AM, from December 1st of each year until April 1st of the following year. During this time there shall be parking of cars on the Village streets of the Village of Ridgeway only on the even numbered side of each street on the even numbered calendar days on and on the odd numbered side of each street on the odd numbered calendar days. After March 15th the Village of Ridgeway has the right to enforce alternate side parking with measurable snowfall.

(b) There shall be no parking on either side of any alley in the Village of Ridgeway during the time and months that this section is in force.

(8) Streets with Special Restrictions or Exemptions. (Cr. Jan. 12, 2011; Am. Sept. 12, 2011; Am. June 14, 2016). All streets within the Village of Ridgeway are subjected to Alternate Side Parking as set forth in Section 4.02(7) unless so stated:

(a) Streets with Special Restrictions:

1. Grove Street: Parking only allowed on West side of street at all times.

2. Jarvis Street: Parking only allowed on East side of street in front of the school.

3. Weaver Street: No parking allowed on either side of street from Main Street to West Farwell Street. Tow away zone.

4. Main Street:

a. Parking only allowed on South side of street from H North to Grove Street.

b. Alternate side parking from Grove Street to Weaver Street.

c. Parking only allowed on South side of the street from North Street to Level Street.

d. Alternate side parking from Level Street to Lorraine Court.

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(b) Streets Currently Exempt from Alternate Side Parking:

1. Old Main East.
2. Old Main West.
3. Meudt Court.
4. 100 Block of Jarvis Street, however, no vehicle may remain in same location for more than 48 hours. Violations will result if parked in same location for a period of more than 48 hours.

(9) Semi-Tractor/Trailer Parking Prohibited. (Cr. June 14, 2016).

(a) Except as provided in subsections (b), no person owning or having control of a semi-tractor/trailer shall park upon any street, avenue or public way.

(b) The village board may designate specific truck parking zones.

(10) Penalties. (Cr. Oct. 4, 2005; Am. June 2, 2008).

(a) Any motor vehicle found parked in violation of this section may be towed away by or at the direction of the Ridgeway Police Department or the Director of Public Works at the owner's expense and may be held by the Village of Ridgeway or a private towing service until the fee for such towing has been paid together with a minimum sum of \$1.00 per day as a storage charge, or actual cost if higher. The removal of a vehicle under this provision shall not bar the prosecution of the owner thereof from a violation of this section.

(b) Any person, firm or corporation who violates any part of this section shall, on conviction thereof, forfeit a fine of not less \$10.00 and not more than \$50.00, together with the cost of prosecution.

4.03 THROUGH STREETS DESIGNATED. (Cr. 1986).

- (1) Kirby Street southwest from Grove Street to Richards Street.
- (2) West Farwell Street west from Weaver Street to Main Street.
- (3) Richards Street southeast to Kirby Street.

4.04 SPEED LIMITS. (Cr. May 3, 1983; Am. Dec. 7, 1999).

(a) Posting of Speed Limits South H and Grove Street. Speed Limit from the Village Limits on South H to the current speed limit of 15 miles per hour will be 25 Miles per hour.

4.07 RIDING OF BIKES IN THE CONCESSION STAND AREA OF THE BALLPARK. (Cr. Aug. 6, 1985; Am. 1986).

The riding of all types of bicycles in the concession stand area of the ballpark is hereby prohibited.

4.08 ERECTION OF SIGNS AND SIGNALS. (Cr. 1986).

The Director of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to procure, erect and maintain appropriate standard traffic signs, signals and markings conforming to the rules of the State Highway Commission giving such notice of the provisions of this Chapter as required by State Law. Signs shall also be erected in such locations and in such manner as authorized by the governing body as to give adequate warning to users of the street, alley or highway in question.

4.09 PENALTY. (Cr. 1986).

(1) State Forfeiture Statutes. Forfeitures for violations Wis. Stat. chs. 340 to 348 shall conform to the forfeiture permitted to be imposed for violation of the statutes adopted by reference, including any variations or increases for subsequent offences.

(2) State Fine Statutes. The forfeiture for violation of any statute adopted by reference under this chapter for which the penalty is a fine shall not exceed the maximum fine permitted under such statute.

(3) Other Violations. Any person who shall violate any section of this chapter for which a penalty is not otherwise established by this chapter, upon conviction, shall forfeit not less than \$25.00 or more than \$1,000.00, together with costs of prosecution.

4.10 ENFORCEMENT. (Cr. 1986).

(1) Uniform Citation. The uniform traffic citation promulgated under Wis. Stat. § 345.11, shall be used for all moving traffic violations under this chapter.

(2) Parking Citations. Citations for all nonmoving traffic violations under this chapter shall conform to Wis. Stats. § 345.28, and shall permit direct mail payment of the applicable forfeiture to the Village Clerk/Treasurer within five days of the issuance of the citation in lieu of court appearance. The issuing officer shall specify thereon the amount of the applicable forfeiture as provided in this chapter.